THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

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OUR PARISH TEAM:

Pastor Rev. Michael Machacek In Residence Rev. John Mullins

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Youth Minister Courtney Strom

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Last Sunday of each month at 12:45 p.m. Those concerned MUST contact the parish office well in advance, because of the general instruction.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. OR anytime by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance.

SACRAMENT FOR THE SICK & ELDERLY

If a family member is in hospital and needs to receive the Sacrament for the sick/elderly, please approach the Nurses' Station, and request them to contact the "Priest on Duty". A priest will always be on-duty for these requests at all hospitals in the Greater Toronto Area.

DEVOTIONS

DAILY ROSARY: Prior to all Weekday Masses.



FIRS A RIDAY (October-June)

Mass: 9:30 a.m.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Silent Adoration: 10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.
Benediction: 10:50 a.m.

We Welcome All New Parishioners:

Please register at the Parish Office during office hours. Thank you.

Please remember Nativity of Our Lord Parish in your will.



MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY 9:00 a.m. - 12 NOON; 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY 9:00 a.m. - 12 NOON; 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. FRIDAY & SATURDAY - CLOSED

SUNDAY 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS: 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	9:30 a.m.
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	9:30 a.m.
Friday	9:30 a.m.

OUR SCHOOLS

NATIVITY OF OUR LORD 35 Saffron Crescent 416-393-5288

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YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Mass: Sundays 11:30 am
Email: youthminister@nativityym.com
Website: http://www.nativityym.com
LifeTeen Program for High School Students
every 2nd & 4th Fridays of the month
EDGE Program for Grades 6 – 8 Students
every 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm (From October to June)

GROUPS

Altar Guild:	Alice Mycan
Altar Servers:	Fr. Michael
Bereavement Support Group:	Linda Wisz
Bible Study	Linda Wisz
Caring Ministry: Keith Lewis	647-977-4843
Catholic Cemeteries:	416-733-8544
Catholic Family Services:	416-921-1163
Charismatic Prayer Group:	Theresa Smith
Children's Liturgy:	Anita Jakovcic
C.W.L. President:	Nancy Fenech
Knights of Columbus:	Chris D'Souza
Lay Ministers of Eucharist:	Clive Ferrao
Lectors:	Leslie Borbas
Legion of Mary:	Karen Armstrong
Public School Religious Ed.:	416-621-2732
R.C.I.A.:	Fr. Michael
St. Vincent de Paul Society:	416-695-0169
Ushers:	Leonard Roach
Welcoming Committee:	Angela Reid
Youth Ministry:	Courtney Strom

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Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1, 'After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.'

Ephesians 1 'I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him...'

Ephesians 4 'I beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love...'

This feast is not about bidding farewell to Jesus, but about the hand-off of his work to us. It didn't take long for the early church to figure that out, but the question is whether we got the message. The healing of our broken world is not yet completed. Others may do their part, but they can't do the work that is uniquely ours. Each one of us is called to be his voice, hands and feet in the world.

Joan DeMerchant, Celebrations

Our Office Hours During COVID-19

Please note that during COVID-19 our office will be open by appointment only – from 9:00 am to 5:00pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. We ask you to call the parish office at 416 621 2732 to arrange an appointment.

Humanitarian Relief – India's COVID-19 Outbreak

India is reeling from a devastating COVID-19 outbreak. In response to numerous inquiries from parishioners and clergy, we are providing information for those who may wish to contribute to relief efforts to assist the people of India.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will send donations through Development and Peace to Caritas Internationalis, an international confederation of Catholic humanitarian organizations that is already in India helping those who are suffering during this COVID-19 outbreak. (- see next column)

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:

Name of Parish – India's COVID-19 Outbreak – Disaster Relief

PRAY A ROSARY TO HEAL INDIA'S COVID- 19 SUFFERING.

Sunday May 16th between 7.00 p.m.— 8.00 p.m. Light a candle in Solidarity with India and pray the Rosary.

Encourage everyone you know to get involved. Together by prayer, this Pandemic suffering in India will be eradicated.

Thank you and God Bless you. Deacon Gerry



Ascension of the Lord World Communications Day May 16, 2021

Living the Gospel locally and around the world

"You – the clergy, religious and lay faithful of the Archdiocese – haven't forgotten the needs of your neighbours.

"Thank you to our pastors and parish staff who have continued to educate the faithful about the work of ShareLife agencies."

- Cardinal Thomas Collins

Thank you for supporting ShareLife! Our Parish goal is \$88,100.00.

The final two ShareLife Sundays are: June 19/20 & October 2/3

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Up Collection will be the weekend of May 22nd/23rd

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting *gently used clothing, footwear, bedding, drapes, and children's toys (new or nearly new), on the above weekend. No mattresses, dishes, video/audio cassettes, books or furniture will be accepted.* Please bring your articles to the Society's container at the rear parking lot this weekend. On Saturday May 22nd, from 4:00pm to 5:30pm: & on Sunday May 23rd 7th, from 9:00am to 1:30pm. Volunteers will be available to assist you during those listed times.

St. Augustine's Seminary Lay Formation Program: Where Holiness is Found: Ordinary People Called to Extraordinary Lives Saturday, June 5 – 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY

Join us as we consider what Pope Francis calls the "feminine styles of holiness" and reflect on how the example of holy women can inspire us today. Presenter: Dr. Anne Jamieson.

COST: \$25

REGISTER: http://bit.ly/DayOfReflectionForWomen

EMAIL: lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca

100th Anniversary of the Catholic Women's League (CWL)

The Catholic Women's League of the Archdiocese of Toronto is celebrating its 100th Anniversary on Saturday, May 15th. The first Convention was held in 1921.

Due to the pandemic, their Convention will be held virtually on May 15th. A live-streamed Mass will take place on that day at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome to join virtually – the Mass can be accessed at: http://bit.ly/CWL100th

More than 100 parishes in the Archdiocese of Toronto have local CWL chapters in their community.

Thank you for your continued support and ongoing prayers for the Catholic Women's League.

A message from Fr. Michael

With all my heart I want to thank all of you for your prayers, cards, gifts and blessings you extended to me this past week.

I am so privileged to be a priest and to serve at Nativity as the Pastor. I look forward to the coming years as we grow in our faith and our love of God.

Peace and prayers,

Fr. Michael

Nativity of Our Lord

YOUTH MINISTRY





Youth Ministry will continue online

EDGE 1st & 3rd Fridays LIFETEEN 2nd & 4th Fridays

Follow us on Instagram @nativityym
For registration information please email
Courtney at
youthminister@nativityym.com

EDGE Camp 2021

We are planning for EDGE Camp 2021! A fun and exciting Christ-centered camp experience!

What: A 5 day Catholic Adventure Camp

Who: Those currently in gr 6-8

Where: Camp White Pine, Haliburton, ON **When:** August 29- September 2, 2021

For more information:

https://www.nativityym.com/edge/edge-camp

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